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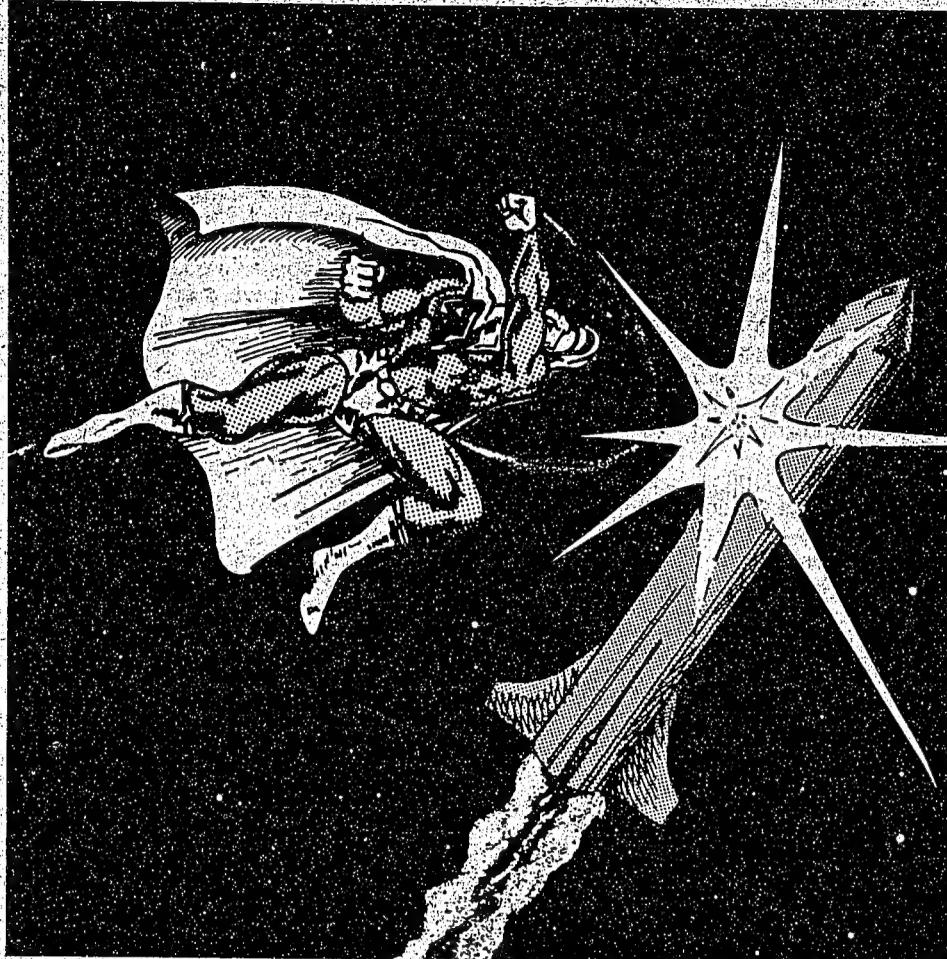
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The Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) is designed to eliminate Soviet nuclear missiles before they destroy the United States.

Star Wars backer warns of Soviet blackmail

By TIM TRUDELL
News Editor

Without Star Wars, the United States may face nuclear blackmail by the Soviets, according to an expert in the Strategic Defense Initiative program (SDI).

SDI is an anti-ballistic missile system that can be placed into space to destroy nuclear missiles launched at the United States before the missiles are able to re-enter the earth's atmosphere.

The system, nicknamed Star Wars by its critics, could be launched "tomorrow" if necessary, said Gene Vosseler, an advisor to Americans for the High Frontier, a pro-SDI organization lobbying the government to continue the program. Vosseler spoke before 22 people during an aerospace workshop at UNO June 15.

However, Vosseler said the program needs another seven or eight years of research before it is completely operational. The system will cost approximately \$120 billion over those years, he added.

SDI is a break from American policy on nuclear weapons, he said.

"Military doctrine in America has been based on mutual assured destruction (MAD)," he said. "This very strange doctrine was originated by a very strange man named Robert 'Strange' McNamara in the

early '60s, in which he articulated the idea that the best defense for America was no defense at all, but rather revenge and retaliation."

McNamara's idea of MAD held American and Soviet citizens hostage, Vosseler said. Under MAD, the Soviet Union would have first-strike capability, he said. The United States would not launch a first strike because it would not have the ability. Once the Soviet missiles were launched, the United States would retaliate with a strike of its own, Vosseler added.

The United States nuclear defense system is based on the Triad, a three-part system consisting of ground-launched nuclear missiles, nuclear-loaded bombers and sea-launched cruise missiles.

However, with the removal of B-52 bombers from the American nuclear arsenal, the United States has only two components of the system until the B-1B bomber has been fully prepared to assume the B-52's role.

Vosseler said there is evidence that 90 percent of the missiles would not get out of their silos in the United States.

"That leaves the sea-launched missiles," he said. "The Soviets have devised a radar tracking system that follows the

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UNO ponders new phone service to aid recruitment

By PATRICE NORTHAM
Staff Reporter

It may soon be easier for people in out-of-state Nebraska to reach out and touch someone at UNO if the installment of an incoming 800 number becomes reality.

With the 800 service, anyone in Nebraska would be able to call UNO free of charge, according to Forrest Stowe, manager of the UNO telecommunications department.

Stowe said the incoming line would be able to fill many needs. For example, high school personnel could call for information and assistance with teaching projects, while students who live in outlying areas of Nebraska could contact a teacher without worrying about a long distance call. UNO faculty and staff could also use the 800 number when traveling in Nebraska to reduce long distance costs, he said.

The service may also be used for student recruitment. Prospective students could request financial aid and admissions infor-

mation without making a long distance call, Stowe said.

"Primarily, the 800 service would be used for outlying school assistance and student recruits," he said.

Stowe said the Nebraska Business Development Center, part of UNO, would like to have the 800 service so that small businesses in outlying areas could call the center for assistance.

The 800 number will not be as expensive to use as a long distance service, he said. A large traffic volume would lower the cost even more.

"Using the line three or four hours a day would be pretty good usage," Stowe said. "We'd probably build up to that much, and we'd monitor the traffic volume."

If the go-ahead is given, the line will be installed by the spring of 1989.

There is one phone service, however, that UNO will probably pass up.

A new group of companies, known as Alternate Operator Services (AOS), contracts with certain businesses and pro-

vides telephone operator services such as placing collect and credit-card calls. Stowe said The AOS companies are targeting businesses such as hotels, private-pay phone owners and universities.

Although Stowe has been approached by the AOS companies, he said UNO will not subscribe.

The problem with these AOS services, Stowe said, is that the cost of a phone call often depends on where the operators are located.

If you are at Eppley Airfield and you want to call Denver, but the AOS operator is located in St. Louis, you will be charged for a call from St. Louis to Denver instead of from Omaha to Denver," he said. "After a while, the price difference adds up."

Many of our faculty have AT&T calling cards, and when they are traveling on business, they should be aware that when they place a call with a credit card and charge it to their department, they may be going through an AOS operator. Their phone bill will be more expensive than usual.

Stowe said many complaints have been directed against AOS. The services are not regulated, but the Federal Communications System will investigate if people complain of being overcharged.

One way to regulate these services, he said, would be to identify those phones under AOS contract with a sign indicating that operator service is provided by AOS companies. Until then, he said, a caller should first ask the operator if he is from AOS and where he is located. If the operator is not from an AT&T, MCI, Sprint or Bell System, the caller could choose to use a different phone.

Unfortunately, most people in airports are in a hurry, and where would they find another phone service in the same airport?" Stowe asked.

UNO students and faculty need not worry about an AOS service on campus, though. "Our office tries to provide the best quality service at the most affordable cost, and we will not use the AOS operators," Stowe said.

Negotiations fail

Strike stops bell tower construction

By TIM TRUDELL
News Editor

Construction on the Henningson Memorial Campanile came to a halt Monday after area iron union members went on strike rather than accept management requests to take a pay cut, according to Leo DeWitt.

DeWitt, business manager for the International Association of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Iron Workers Local 21, said the shutdown and ensuing picket line was the result of an impasse between union representatives and negotiators for Peter Kiewit Sons Inc.

The union's contract with Peter Kiewit Construction Co. expired June 1, DeWitt said.

The company requested workers take a cut in pay, DeWitt said. "They want us to work for minimum wage, that's what it amounts to," he said.

The workers, however, have asked for a pay raise, 3.9 percent has been suggested, DeWitt said. Workers presently earn an average of \$13.40 per hour, he

added.

"Would you climb a 1,300 foot tower for \$13.40 an hour?" DeWitt asked. "People might think that's a lot of money, but we have very expensive insurance. We also have to buy special clothing. A guy can go through one pair of gloves a day."

Bob Doyle, labor attorney for Peter Kiewit Sons Inc., declined to comment on the reason for the strike.

Gary Leapley, a spokesman for Peter Kiewit Sons Inc., said he hoped for a quick end to the strike.

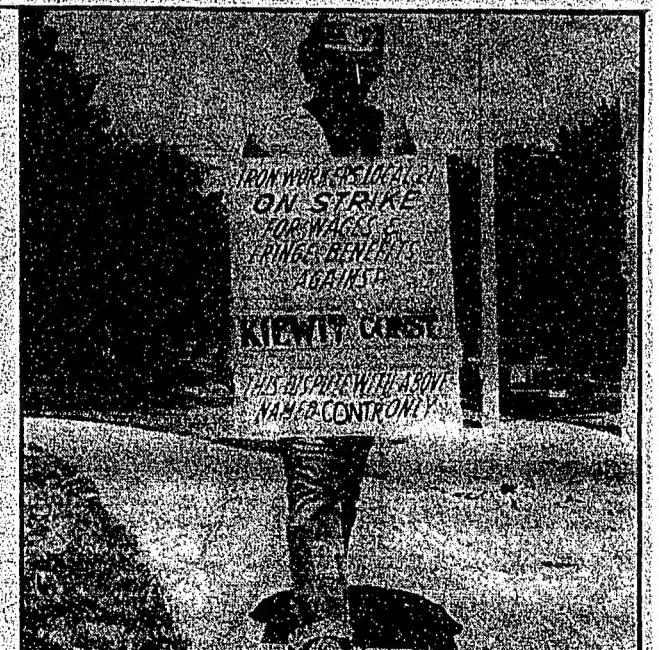
"You never know," Leapley said. "Hopefully, it won't last too long."

Leapley explained that contracts are re-negotiated every four years; workers strike if they feel an impasse has been reached.

Between 60 and 70 workers were affected by the strike, Doyle said.

DeWitt said negotiators for the union and Peter Kiewit Sons Inc. met for a brief time Monday. There

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Saeed Keyhan
David Mongarez walks the picket line after union members voted to go on strike against Peter Kiewit Sons Inc.

COMMENT

McGovern ahead of his time

Council ordinance spawns Dodge Street cruiser coup

Do you remember 1972? It was Nixon vs. McGovern. In what looked to be a real dog fight of a presidential campaign, part of McGovern's game plan revolved around a new amendment to the Constitution that lowered the voting age from 21 to 18 years of age.

McGovern had a vision of a great sea of new-order voters that was going to make a major difference in the race. Well, McGovern lost. He lost big. The new order didn't

Maybe for the first times in their lives, these kids were realizing that there is a political process. Civics 101 was in session, and this time there were no books or blackboards. This time, the class was an applied course.

Some background for those who've been living in a cave for the last 20 years: Dodge Street is the cruising spot in Omaha. The cruising and parking on the lots along the street have upset a whole gaggle of businessmen who feel the loitering is causing excess vandalism, littering and increasing the possibility of fights, alcohol abuse and drug dealing among area youth.

A week-and-a-half ago, Councilman Jim Cleary pushed an ordinance through the Omaha City Council that would allow Omaha police to ticket people for loitering on private property without having to have the owners present.

The ordinance would be very effective in killing the cruising and parking on Dodge Street. It also would be very successful in pissing off a lot of high school-age kids who have nowhere to go in a city that has decimated any outlet for them to congregate.

There was only one outlet left for the children of Dodge, an outlet that meant going down to the strip and fighting the only way they knew how, without getting arrested, fighting Cleary's fire with fire . . . utilizing politics, and word of mouth, to sway public opinion to their side.

Too many were there to count, but I'd estimate the numbers ran around 600; lined up along the street next to Chi Chi's, the Crossroads and anywhere they could park their cars (remember, the ordinance doesn't take effect until June 29).

In their fists were signs written in a shaky hand with such mundane slogans as: *If Not Dodge then Where?* and *Free Dodge Street!* Throughout the evening, a petition protesting the ordinance was passed from hand to hand for signatures.

The kids were fighting back, in force. And though their battle was a hopeless one, they were doing the only thing they had left to do.

Which brings us back to McGovern and his push for freedom in '72. There've been the analysts who say the reason youths didn't hit the polls back then was because they were either too lazy to get out and vote — thinking their vote would be insignificant against a tide of opposing votes — or because they didn't have a dream to rally behind (though Vietnam was still very much with us, haunting our television sets with scenes of blood and gore and lost hope on the nightly news).

I don't think the youth of today are any more or less politically active than the ones from back then. The difference is, today's kids have nothing to fight for. Though racism still exists, and the threat of nuclear war still hangs over our heads, the kids have grown up with these concerns and become jaded by them.

It's when someone takes away something they've grown to love that the little varments become feisty.

The next logical question is, will these kids stand up against the threat of another Vietnam, or will they opt to get up and change the channel? If Dodge Street is any indication, there might be hope for the leaders of tomorrow.

Tim McMahan

Gateway Columnist

go to the polls, and no, that wasn't the only reason McGovern lost in a landslide; he did most of the losing on his own, unfortunately. Now McGovern does Schick commercials, and the new-order voters are in their mid-30s staring a conservative United States of America dead in the face.

Was the youth vote a myth? Were those under the age of 21 unresponsive to a political process that could have changed their lives if they let it?

Hmmmm.

You should have gone down to Dodge Street last Friday night. If you listened closely, you could hear the birth of little liberals and conservatives as they met for the first time to rally, not with cars or motorbikes, but with placards and petitions.

Spinks vs. Tyson

Is it boxing, a bullfight or \$35 million of theater?

Boxing is the only real sport. It's simple, brutal and great to watch. The fight in Atlantic City on June 27 will be art in action.

Mike Tyson and Mike Spinks are going to try and thrash each other to the tune of \$22 million and \$13.5 million, respectively. It's not often America gets to see two guys assault each other on cable television.

Boxing is the ultimate spectator sport. People watching are glad they aren't fighters when they see the pounding. Look at an interview with Muhammad Ali sometime. Boxing kills brain cells.

This is a great sport, though. America loves violence. We buy toy guns for kids, show Rambo movies and watch the car crashes from the Indy 500 over and over again.

Think about athletes in team sports. Eleven grown men trying to get a goofy looking ball into an end zone? A bunch of skaters pushing a disk around with sticks? How about those guys who throw balls through hoops? That's a circus act for seals, already. Boxing gives the people what they want — blood.

Individual sports like gymnastics, diving, chess and tid-

dywinks have their place, but disappear in the shadows of Joe Louis, Sonny Liston or Sugar Ray (Robinson or Leonard, whatever).

Boxing is seedy, slimy. A fight creates images of cigar-chomping men in bad suits and bimbos. America loves bimbos. An example:

Robin Givens, Tyson's new wife, and her mother are

to see it. I'm not an athlete. I'm a warrior . . . (and) what I do is an obsession. If I wasn't boxing, I'd be breaking the law. That's my nature."

This isn't a sport. It's theater.

Anybody who saw Spinks embarrass Gerry Cooney or Larry Holmes (twice) knows he boxes weird. He's awkward, and that's his saving grace. Nobody in 31 fights has been able to figure out how he can box, run and cover at the same time. He makes up for his embarrassing brother, Leon Spinks, a man without front teeth or class.

Tyson is a monster. Thirty of his 34 wins have been by knockout. Twenty-five of his fights haven't lasted four rounds. This guy is good.

I'd let him pound my anemic, six-foot, 175-pound body a few rounds for a couple million. It wouldn't be pretty, but the pay is unbelievable.

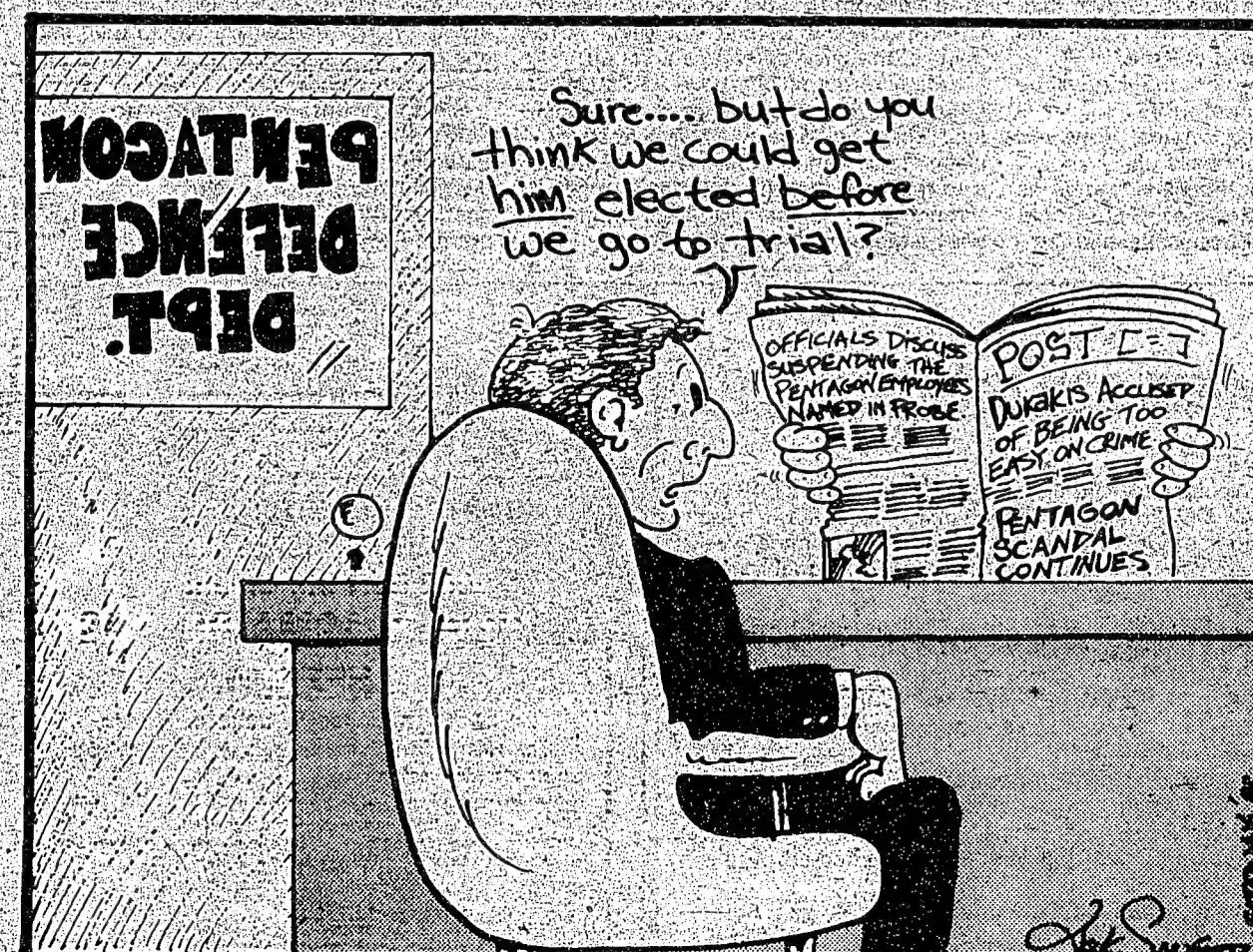
Before anyone gets the idea that this column is written by a Neanderthal, let it be known I like the symphony, jazz, Shakespearean theater and foreign films. I also like watching a couple of guys trying to knock off each other's skull. And yeah, I like bullfighting, too.

Tim Kaldahl

Gateway Columnist

sinking their fangs into the champ. Everyone wants a piece of Mike, including the man with the mystery hair, promoter Don King. Spinks still has time to give interviews. The following is a quote from the Boston Globe:

"I'll break Spinks. I'll break them all. When I fight someone, I want to break his will. I want to take his manhood. I want to rip his heart out and show it to him. People say that's primitive, that I'm an animal. But then they pay \$500



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No specific changes result

Advising report offers few suggestions, Bauer says

By LIZ WELLING
Staff Reporter

A UNO report on academic advising contains some valuable information, but according to Vice Chancellor Otto Bauer, the ad hoc committee submitting the report offered no special recommendations for ways to improve the process.

"Here's a group of very knowledgeable people on advising, but they don't make any recommendations on what to change," Bauer said. "So, on what basis would I go out and change the advising in the individual colleges?"

The report, entitled "The Quality of Ac-

ademic Advising at UNO: Results of Student and Faculty Surveys," randomly surveyed students and faculty in a 26-item questionnaire.

The report focused on establishing a "benchmark" of student and faculty perceptions regarding the delivery of academic advising. According to the report, 39 percent of the students said the time spent with an advisor is somewhat or not beneficial, while 62 percent said the time was beneficial.

Bauer contributed the gap to the fact that some students may not agree with the advice they receive from advisors.

"We can't guarantee when someone

comes in that they will have a wonderful meeting," he said. "One good thing about advice is that you don't have to agree with it."

When asked what they deemed the most important by students, 89 percent of the faculty said advisors should exhibit a personal and caring attitude toward students.

When students rated the effort their advisors showed in trying to know them as individuals, the students gave them a "grade" of A or B if it was good. But if the effort was poor, the "grade" dropped to a D or F.

"I encourage the faculty to take a per-

sonal interest towards students," Bauer said. "I also encourage them to take advising seriously, and I think the service is rendered."

A notation in the report stated the "quality of academic advising will not improve significantly unless it is recognized and rewarded by the university as a priority activity."

"In many ways a priority has been given. If it wasn't a priority, there wouldn't be offices established to do it," Bauer said.

Bauer said he didn't conclude UNO advising as being poor. "I think we're doing quite well. 'But can we do better?'" he asked. "The answer is yes."

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currents of the submarines, thereby eliminating them from the system. We are basically unprotected from nuclear threat in the near future."

The Soviet Union has developed an intricate anti-ballistic missile system, which would allow it to take out American missiles before they have a chance to damage the country, he said.

"The Soviet Union has ringed Moscow with 100 anti-ballistic missiles," Vosseler said. "The Soviets are allowed that under the 1972 ABM treaty, even as we were allowed 100 missile launchers under that treaty."

The U.S. scrapped the program because of the MAD concept, Vosseler said.

The Soviet threat is real, he said. How-

ever, the United States has not done anything concrete to protect itself and its people. Vosseler said the United States does not have a ABM system.

However, SDI development will change the balance of nuclear superiority, Vosseler said.

The satellites the system will use do not

have nuclear missiles attached to them, as some critics believe, he said. Instead, the system will use lasers, which will destroy the nuclear warhead before it can re-enter the earth's atmosphere once it has been launched.

The system will easily destroy the Soviet missiles, thereby ending that country's nuclear strike capability, Vosseler claimed.

Big Max on Campus



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was hope the situation could be cleared up by the end of the week, he added.

As of Wednesday morning, however, Doyle said there were no plans to meet with union negotiators until next week.

"It was a bad winter, and the weather's been so beautiful," DeWitt said. "The workers want to get back to work."

"I hated to do it (stop work on the belltower). From the blue prints, it looks like it's going to be a pretty tower," he added.

Despite the strike, not all construction has been stopped at UNO. Workers re-vamping the parking lot east of Arts and Sciences Hall were not affected by the strike and do not foresee a work stoppage.

An extended strike will prolong completion of the bell tower, said Tim Fitzgerald, assistant director of University Relations.

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Chamber choir notes resounding European experience



— Ken Bales/UNO music department

Cina Crisara (facing group) directs the UNO chamber choir at the Redemptorist Cathedral in Krakow, Poland.

By SUSAN SVOBODA
Contributing Writer

The Chamber Choir's recent tour of Eastern Europe not only enhanced musical and cultural development, but helped formulate the relationship between UNO and some of its sister universities, as well.

"The tour was an effort to promote good will and strengthen the institutional linkages with the University of Economic and Business Administration in Vienna and Charles University in Prague," said Ann Ludwig, academic coordinator of intensive languages.

The tour, which lasted two weeks and included six concert dates, was organized by the Friendship Ambassadors Foundation to promote the message "Music is the Medium . . . Friendship is the Message." The tour was funded by student contributions, university funds and outside donations.

The 16-member choir presented a program which featured American folk songs as well as spiritual and musical selections.

Choir members, which specialize in an a cappella choral repertoire, are selected by audition and awarded scholarships for their participation.

"We have worked toward capturing the

American spirit found in our heritage of folk songs and spirituals," Cina Crisara, the group's director and assistant UNO music professor, said.

"We are able to exercise our own versatility as performers, expressing a range of ideas which reflect the human spirit in so many contexts."

The group began its tour in Poland and worked its way through Czechoslovakia, Austria and back to Poland.

"The audiences were very responsive," E.J. Gardner, a Chamber Choir singer, said. "On a Sunday afternoon at the town square in Krakow, Poland, we had an impromptu concert. There was a group of about 200 people. It was a high like you wouldn't believe."

While in Vienna, the university helped house the tour group. Because the students of Vienna are required to take eight years of English, choir members said communicating with students at the Austrian university was simple.

"Staying four days in Vienna with the students there was the highlight of the tour for me," said Chamber Choir singer Andy Sorensen. "The social contacts were very gratifying," Crisara added. "We were very well received everywhere we went, and we found the people friendly and warm."

Harman's album offers 'foot-tapping' blues

By CRAIG ROTERMUND
Music Critic

James Harman Band — Those Dangerous Gentlemen
It's no wonder the James Harman Band has inspired comparisons to The Fabulous Thunderbirds. Their latest release, *Those Dangerous Gentlemen*, is an excellent set of blues-based rock that will immediately have your feet tapping.

Featuring guitar work from Kid Ramos and the late Hollywood Fats, this band not only plays the blues, but James Harman himself can sing the blues as well as play the harmonica.

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L.A.'s blues masters, The James Harman Band

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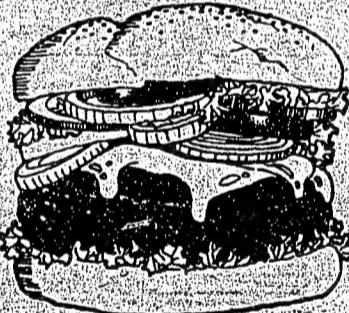
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Costner can't save 'Durham'; Midler big in 'Big Business'

"Bull Durham" disappointed me; its antiquated look at several spheres of human behavior outshine its minimal contribution

Elizabeth Tape

Cinema

as a narrative or as an observation on the human character.

Set in Durham, North Carolina, "Bull Durham" recounts events in one baseball season. This particular season, a new pitcher — "Nuke" (Tim Robbins) has arrived on the scene. Young and inexperienced, he is reputed to possess quite a fast-ball but to

lack control.

Crash Davis (Kevin Costner), who has been kicking around the minors for some years, appears, and is hired to try to control this wild young thing.

Annie Savoy (Susan Sarandon), the Bulls' unofficial mascot, maintains her sole purpose to be her involvement with a selected player each season. At this time, she finds herself attracted to both men, and so the story begins.

I was struck by the substantial quantities of alcohol consumed in the course of this film. For example, as Crash irons his clothes, a glass of liquor rests on the iron.

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The album contains a couple of slower numbers such as "I've Been Lovin' You," which also features Bonnie Bramlett (who has worked with Eric Clapton, Leon Russell, etc.) on vocals and the all-acoustic traditional blues of "Goatman Holler." But most of the songs, such as "My Baby's Gone," "Jump My Baby" and the extremely catchy "Voodoo Love" are upbeat, highly danceable songs.

Apathy — *Out The Window*

Apathy, which means a lack of emotion, seems to be a self-contradictory name for this Omaha-based heavy-metal/punk band. Their recent release, "Out the Window," is anything but apathetic.

The rapid-fire guitar notes of Jim Hoffman and the intensity of the gut-wrenching vocals of Seth Deth help convey the emotion behind the lyrics, which reflect such themes as disillusionment, frustration, anger, loneliness and death.

Although "Out the Window" and



— Steve Chase

John C. Wolf of Cellophane Ceiling

"Remember" are definite standouts, some of the other material is easily forgettable. The imagery of the lyrics, however, justifies even the worst songs.

Cellophane Ceiling — *On Dooms-*

Critic lists summer events

Get out your calendars and start booking up your weekend!

The 14th annual Omaha Summer Arts Festival will already be underway by the time you read this. It's downtown all weekend; just drive east on Douglas or Harney and you'll run right into it. UNO's own KVNO will once again be the official radio voice of the festival. Tune in to 90.7 FM for live music when you can't be there in person.

While you're downtown, you may want to venture into the Old Market to the Firehouse Dinner Theatre for their new production, *The Music Man*. Considering the extraordinary quality of their past productions (*Nunsense*, *The Nerd*, *I'm Not Rapaport*), anything the Firehouse crew presents is worth taking a chance on.

Also on the theater agenda is the

Omaha Workshop Theater premiere of *Promises* by regional playwright Suzanne P. Sather. It plays this weekend and next in the Studio Theater (second floor of Arts & Sciences Hall). UNO alumna Moira Reilly has the cast lead of Nora, the mother of a 12-year-old with Down's Syndrome. Any play with Moira in it is worth seeing.

Judith Bieker

State of the Arts

This is the last weekend to see *Quilters* and *South Pacific* at the Omaha Community Playhouse (which, in my opinion, is the only equal to the Firehouse in this town). I saw *Quilters* last year and loved it; the good news is that everyone is saying it's just as wonderful this time around. After Sunday, OCP is dark for a couple of months before the new season begins.

Even though the Nebraska Shakespeare Festival snubbed this little paper (having Harold and Marian Andersen co-chairing the Board of Trustees, they're assured of all the coverage they need in the local daily), I'll mention that *Midsummer Night's Dream* began last night and runs

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this weekend and July 7 and 9. *Hamlet*, *Prince of Denmark* runs next weekend (Thursday through Sunday) and July 8 and 10. All performances are on that little bit of Elmwood Park just south of the Library.

Joslyn's Jazz on the Green gets underway next week — every Thursday night on the museum's east lawn — and continues into August.

It's good to see the summer arts scene developing here in the River City, but most of what's mentioned here only lasts a few weeks, so get it while the gettin's good.

Jack, Dan & Vickie

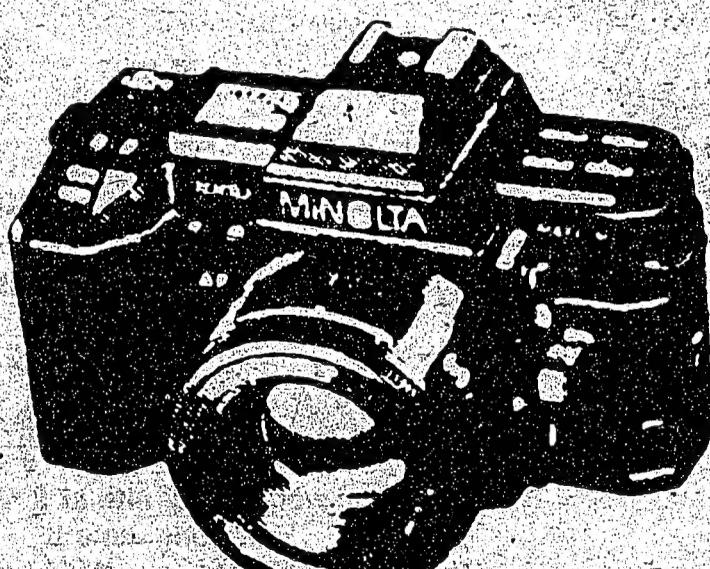


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In pursuit of the ever-present profit motive, Sadie prepares to sell-out Jupiter Hollow's main company, "Hollowmade,"

which was acquired under rather unusual circumstances around the time of Sadie and Rose's birth. When word of this scheme reaches West Virginia, the townspeople are incited to protest by the pow-

erful spirit of Rose Ratliff (also Lily Tomlin). Preparing to journey to New York City to fight for "Hollowmade," Rose convinces her twin Sadie (also Bette Midler) to accompany her.

"Big Business" surpasses becoming a

series of escapades related to mistaken

identity to comment on human nature, on the

grievous misuses of wealth and on the

consequences of unbridled avarice. Jokes

center often on appearance and clothing,

on posturing and demeanor.

Bringing this spectacularly complicated and humorous screen play to fruition are the inordinately amusing Bette Midler, so

excellent in "Down and Out in Beverly Hills"

"Ruthless People" and "Outrageous Fortune," and Lily Tomlin, so enjoyable in

"All of Me," who have established themselves as superb actresses. With a brilliant

script and wonderful performances, "Big

Business" provides considerable humor

and a truly enjoyable time at the movies.



Laurel Moore/Touchstone Pictures
Bette Midler and Lily Tomlin portray a set of identical twins in "Big Business."



Joel Warren/Orion Pictures
Kevin Costner and Susan Sarandon in "Bull Durham."

tions bear a rehearsed and stale quality.

In the end, "Bull Durham" generates little interest. Its characters are not involving. Although Costner's performance as an engaging and modest young man appeals, it remains insufficient to carry the film.

I thoroughly enjoyed "Big Business," which tells the story of two sets of identical twins born almost simultaneously in a small West Virginia town, Jupiter Hollow.

SIGI PLUS: Counseling by Computer

By MELANIE MORRISSEY
Staff Reporter

UNO's Counseling Center has added a new member to its team, but most students haven't realized it yet.

UNO students have been using SIGI PLUS, a new computer program, since December, but this fact wasn't publicized until the Celebrate UNO festival in April.

SIGI, which stands for System of Interactive Guidance and Information, helps students explore their educational and career opportunities, according to Rusty Crawford, coordinator of UNO Counseling and University Division.

Before SIGI, students took aptitude and personality tests and interest inventories on paper to determine various factors about themselves. The information was then used to help students "find what it is they need to be a satisfied person," Crawford said.

However, Crawford said these tests are still used in the Counseling Center. "We didn't throw them out. Some people don't interact well with a computer, so we go back and use the time-honored technique of paper and pencil."

Crawford said SIGI's tests are more formal than the old way. "We do the same steps when we talk," he said. "We may not call it that when we're not using SIGI, but it's pretty similar."

Students feed the computer information about themselves and, based on that information, SIGI helps them decide which occupations or educational goals are best for them.

The program also provides occupational information. For example, students can use SIGI to find out what skills a particular occupation requires and how to prepare for that job.

Every student who comes to the center, however, does not require SIGI's services. Crawford said some use only certain portions of the program, while

some never use the computer at all. Crawford said it's important to remember that SIGI is simply a tool. "It's not the answer. It's not going to find a job for you."

Some students are uncomfortable with this realization, he said. "People come in and want me to open the drawer and hand them something."

Approximately 6,000 students come to the Counseling Center each year, Crawford said, most for only three or four sessions.

"To me, the bottom line in career development is being satisfied," he said. "We focus so much on a career because that's a significant amount of time in our life. And a career is important to us psychologically."

But like the counselors, SIGI has its own appointment book, so Crawford said it's best for students to make an appointment before planning to use the system. There is a \$5 materials usage fee for students; non-students pay \$50.

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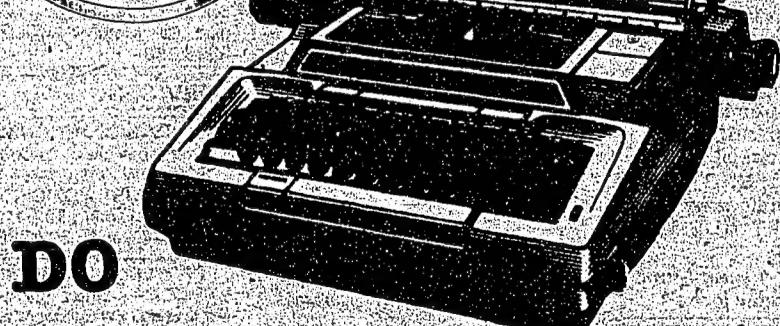
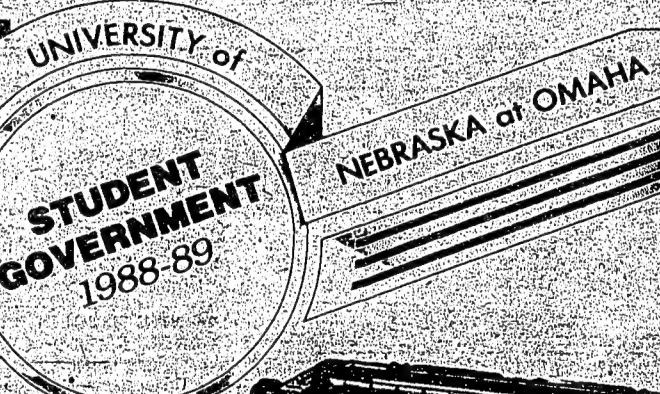
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SPORTS

'Ecstatic' Yori named softball coach

Former Creighton Assistant Coach Mary Yori will take the helm of the UNO softball team, according to Athletic Director Bobby Thompson.

Yori replaces Chris Miner, who resigned this spring with a 168-126-1 record in seven seasons.

A 1982 graduate of Creighton, Yori, a two-time All-American, served since 1984 as a part-time assistant under Lady Jay Coach Mary Higgins. A native of Ankeny, Iowa, she is working toward a master's degree at UNO. Yori will also be an instructor in the school of Health, Education, Physical Education and Recreation (HEPER).

"I'm excited for the opportunity to make the team more visible," Yori said. "I want to continue the success it's had and build beyond that."

Yori said she wants to turn UNO into a Top 10 program by recruiting the best players from metropolitan Omaha.

"We can't go out and recruit nationwide," she said. "Our scholarship situation is not that great. But I think the Omaha area suits us well."

"Hopefully, the kids we'll have will basically be the best Omaha kids," she said.

Creighton's Higgins said Yori will be "an outstanding head coach."

"I think she's an excellent game coach," Higgins said. "And I know she's a good recruiter. She recruited for us very well."

Yori has already been active in that department, signing two Omaha high school players to national letters of intent last week; Carol Bahun of Omaha Gross and Omaha Westside grad Neely Sader. Both are infielders for the Omaha Cyclones' summer team that competed in a national tournament last year.

Bahun hit .333 with 22 RBIs last year, and Sader batted .293 with one homer and 16 RBIs.

But how does Yori feel about assuming the fund-

raising chores that sent Miner packing?

"All programs have tight budgets. If I have to go out into the public to raise money to get my team on the

Keith Faur
Sports Columnist

field, I have no problems with that," she said.

Yori said there can be positive results from interacting with the public for such a cause.

"If I get out and meet people in the community who are willing to donate to our program, those people can become supporters and help the team by coming to games and getting behind them," she said.

So far, all eligible players are returning, and with three incoming freshman, Yori said the team is on its feet.

"I'm ecstatic to have this team. I'm ready to build positive attitudes and more discipline to an already talented team," Yori said.

UNOTES

Wrestling

Coach Mike Denney announced the signing of four recruits:

Mark Bauer is a 118-pounder from Kearney High School. He had 107 career victories and compiled a 33-3 record as a senior and finished second place at state.

Kirk Howell is a 126-pounder from Wellington, Kan., High School. He went 28-3 as a senior and 21-11 as a junior. Howell is a one-time regional champion, three-time runner-up.

Jessie Smith had a 38-12 record this year for Northwest Wyoming Junior College at 158 pounds. He placed third in the national judo tourney this year and was 32-0 and Idaho state champ as a high school senior.

Joe Wypiszenski was an All-American at Northern Michigan last year at 177 pounds. Northern Michigan dropped wrestling so he will be eligible immediately and have three seasons to compete. Wypiszenski placed seventh in Division II last year and will replace national champion R.J. Nebe, who graduated.



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